

INTERCHANGE LIGHTING PROGRAM

Eligible Activities:

This program is dedicated to lighting interchanges on interstates or interstate-type facilities. (An interstate-like facility is a controlled access four-lane highway.) This program funds the design, purchase, and installation of high mast lights, both with high intensity luminaries and light-emitting diodes (LED).

Funding:

This program is State-funded and requires a 50% local match for all phases of the project. The local government can use Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds to offset the local match, if available.

Application Process:

Send a letter to the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation at James K. Polk Building, Suite 700, 505 Deaderick Street, Nashville, TN 37243 requesting the lighting of a specific interchange. The local government should include the commitment to cover 50% of the total project cost and a map clearly delineating the location of the project.

Upon receipt of the letter and approval, TDOT will develop a cost estimate and preliminary layout for the project. Upon completion, both the estimate and layout will be presented to the local government for review and approval. If the local government finds the estimated cost acceptable, the Local Programs Development Office will draft a contract for the project, and TDOT will administer all of these projects.

Once the project is completed, the local government is responsible for maintenance of the facilities.